

Ryan Heater
Policy Director
Indiana Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann

Ryan Heater serves as the Policy Director for Lieutenant Governor Sue Ellspermann. In this role, he is responsible for overseeing the legislative and policy initiatives of the Lieutenant Governor's Office and the six agencies that report to the Lieutenant Governor. One of Ryan's duties is the promotion of policies that benefit one of Indiana's most important industries: agriculture. He is also responsible for tracking and supporting legislation that benefits rural community development, ensuring that all of Indiana's small towns get the opportunity to flourish alongside our larger, regional economic zones. With the help of the Lieutenant Governor's agency directors, Ryan also oversees legislation related to Indiana's defense industry, tourism industry, housing issues, and small businesses.

Ryan previously worked as the Association Manager for the Indiana Cable Telecommunications Association where he oversaw association operations and assisted with government affairs activities. He also worked in the Indiana House of Representatives as a legislative assistant for four State Representatives. While working for the House, Ryan provided support by working on legislation, communicating with interested stakeholders, and helping constituents solve government-related issues.

Ryan is a graduate of Purdue University and the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law. His hometown is Star City, IN, and he currently resides in Indianapolis.